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NOMINATIONS WITHOUT CONTEST.

After the hot struggle for the prestige of leadership, the Republican Convention yesterday got at its task of nominating candidates, and found it so easy and harmonious that there was practically no formal opposition to any of the candidates. Judge Collier had the pleasant fortune which has latterly attended nearly all the Allegheny county judges who have come up for renominstion. His experience, his ability as a jurist and the gentle, kindly temper which alike on and off the bench has for many years endeared the Judge to all classes of citizens, without regard to party distinction, gave of course the fullest warrants for the compliment of acclamation.

The nomination of Arch. H. Rowand for District Attorney was also without opposition, because in managing and pushing his canvass be seemed to have entirely distanced his recent competitors. But Mr. Rowand is without doubt too astute a political observer not to be aware that in the event of the Democrats taking up a popular and active man he may still have considerable work to do in the campaign. His military record and his personal force and earnestness, together with his heavy party majority in the county, are factors favoring his prospects. The litigation growing out of his term as Clerk of the Courts and the disposition of the bar and of the public not to follow party lines strictly where the administration of the courts is concerned make it nevertheless possible that he may have a very active contest before him.

Coroner McDowell also had the complement of a unanimous call. Of late years the Coroner's office has been run without the causes for complaint which distinguished it seems to be fairly entitled to the consideration accorded him in again placing his name on the ticket.

NEW RAILROAD PROJECTS. The reports of new railroad lines which

are to reach Pittsburg from the Northwest, and furnish new outlet for the Western Pennsylvania coal fields, and a new route from Pittsburg to New York, show that the | that interest, in order to establish a policy fate of the South Penn project does not deter the builders of lines on paper from pushing their profession. THE DISPATCH, while the South Penn project was still among the possibilities, pointed out that lines connecting both the Lehigh Valley and Beach Creek roads with Pittsburg were practicable. How much real capital there is in the new schemes may be left for the future to determine. In the commercial interests of Pittsburg of course a new line is desirable; but the construction of one road would be especially to be hoped for, as a demonstration of the fact that the commercial and industrial interests can build rail- and prosperity for the corporation. roads without the consent of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

ENFORCE THE PRESENT ONE FIRST. The proposition for a Constitutional Con-

vention, to give our State a new Constitution, does not meet with very much support outside the ranks of the practical politician. The people are generally of the impression that we have already, as the result of the labors of the Constitutional Convention of 1873, a very good fundamental instrument. and that it is better to give it a fair trial before abandoning its provisions.

Possibly there may be details with regard to the owanization of the Legislature, which require amendments, but that can be done by a single amendment to the Constitution. It is also quite likely that there are elements of considerable influence in politics, that would be willing to see the provision against special legislation and those regulating the corporations of the State, repealed or altered. But we think that the opinion of the great mass of disinterested people will be that since the present Constitution is the work of some of the greatest minds that this State has ever possessed, it is no more than fair, both to the Constitution and to the public, to give its provisions the test of thorough and honest enforcement before

throwing them aside. This has not yet been done with the work of the convention of 1873. Some of its most important provisions have been neglected, if not absolutely nullified. Special legislation has, it is true, been somewhat hampered by its provisions, but in several notorious instances that prohibition has been evaded. The Legislature has constantly refused to enforce the provisions of the Constitution with regard to the regulation of corporations. While that which forbade the acqui- son, has put down his stakes. sition of the South Penn by the Peansylvania road has been declared by the Court to be self-enforcing, the practical result of nullification has been reached just the same. The public interests lie in the direction of enforcing this instrument rather than abandoning it. If the experiment of giving the Constitutional provisions full effect is tried for a period of years, the result will be such that the people will never permit that in-

strument to be emasculated. We think that the people of Pennsylvanis will have no difficulty in perceiving that it is better to enforce the Constitution which we have than to fly to others that we know not of.

THIS LILY IS NOT RETIRING. Although there is very little reason to be lieve that the sale of some of Mrs. Langtry's theatrical property and her announced intention to go to Europe portend her permanent retirement from the stage, we deem this a fitting occasion to record our opinion that Mrs. Langtry would confer a benefit on foot on the boards.

talked about. This is a substantial reason, for truly very few actresses have been able to carry about with them such an umbrage- had been allowed to gather there. ous cloud of gossip as has surrounded Mrs. Langtry wherever she has wandered. If she unpaid tradesmen and cooks. Therefore, should she determine to forsake the American stage, her alleged desire for a quiet, unnoticed life and the public's hopes for a day which shall not offer amateur society beauties in the guise of actresses will both in varying measure be gratified.

But, as we have ventured to say before. we deem it the suggestion of a too sanguine lover of the real stage which bids us look for Mrs. Langtry's retirement to-day or tomorrow. The notoriety for which she now affects disgust has proven a gold mine to her. And such notoriety as Mrs. Langtry's will last several years yet as a moneymaking medium.

THE FESTIVAL'S ATTRACTIONS.

The enjoyment of such a musical event as the May Festival is not confined to the scholarly masters of music, nor even to the lovers of the divine art, who adore where they do not always understand. As far as the music is concerned there are many who will sit through every concert of this mighty series and yet never for a moment obtain from the rendering of masterpieces by renowned art- to entertain the widest latitude of opinion. ists that acute pleasure which a simple ballad sung to the accompaniment of an aged piano brought to them in the shadow of the parlor at home. But should they stay away because the musicians and the singers oc- But Larkin, P. M., is doing pretty well, cupy a higher plane than their tastes command? No; for several reasons.

For instance, when four or five thousand interesting human beings gather together in one place there is always a grateful field there for the student of human nature to Wagner, he may be an intense admirer of a voluntary frankness. pretty girl. There are many of Allegheny county's famous beauties to be seen among the celebrants of the Festival. Or again a woman may not value achorus from Haydn's "Creation" more than a solitary hair pin, and yet burn with an absorbing desire to compare her new Parisian hat with the headgear of her friends and enemies.

There are all sorts of ways of getting one's moneys worth out of a popular concert. The audience is not down upon the programme, but its performances, individually and collectively, are often fully as remarkable as those of the musicians and vocalists.

POINTS OF RESEMBLANCE.

Some of the features of the contest which is going on for the control of the Oregon and Transcontinental R. R. present points of peculiar public interest. Besides the fact that the attempt to solve the problem involved in a study of the leases, guarantees and stock ownership comin by-gone days. The present incumbent prised in the Oregon and Transconti- the water fifty feet below to the top of the nental, Oregon Short Line, Oregon Railway and Navigation, Union Pacific and Northern Pacific railroad companies would afford a grateful variety upon the the contest presents some peculiar resemblances to the ordinary political contest.

The advertisements of the Villard party invited stockholders to send their proxies to in the interests of harmony with the Union Pacific and Northern Pacific lines and for the removal of the difficulties which have heretofore hampered that corporation. The advertisement of the Smith party invited the stockholders also to send their taxes to the other interests, for the sake of removing the difficulties that have heretofore hampered the corporation and in the interests of harmony with the Union and Northern Pacific lines. These may not be exactly verbatim copies of the advertisement, but they set forth the fact that each party claims to be the party of harmony

This presents a striking resemblance t the political candidate and platform which tell the public that the party making them is the true party for the prosperity of the country. As in politics, the fact that both parties promise the same thing, does not suggest that they should unite their forces upon the same platform. Each wants to get hold of the offices, and in order to do so, promises are cheap. The further fact that something like \$24 per share above the market price was paid for stock in order to secure votes at the coming election, presents another resemblance to some of the shady practices of politics.

If such parallels continue they will give pertinence to the inquiry whether the practices of polities do more to demoralize corporations, or the corporations do more to demoralize the practices of politics.

PITTSBURG INTERESTS AT HELENA.

Mr. John Thompson, a former well-known resident of Pittsburg, but for some years settled at Helena, Mont., was in the city yesterday seeing some old friends. Mr. Thompson gives a graphic account of the rise of Heiena, which appears to be endowed with a great business movement lately. Helena is in the center of the mining district, and a distributing point for supplies. It has had a lively real estate experience, the demand, Mr. Thompson states, for places of business being such as to yield 15 per cent returns, Some Pittsburgers have lately been making investments in that quarter, and the principal business block is called "The Pittsburg Block." Major Walker, a well-known Pennsylvanian, brother-in-law to James G. Blaine, is Paymaster at Helena, and it is there Russell B. Harrison, the President's

THE PARIS EXPOSITION.

The statement is going the rounds that the success of the Paris Exposition has led to the discussion of the project of reopening it next year. It looks possible that this might be a case of shouting before the shouter has got out of the woods. It will be a better time to predicate the success of this Exposition when it is ended, than within the first week of its opening. At present it remains to be seen what measure of success is to be gained. If office of American Minister to Japan 23 years it scores a success the encouragement would ago. It appears that some of Mr. Depew's be decidedly in favor, not only of repeating it next year, but of making it a permanent Exposition. Philadelphia's attempt in the way of a permanent exhibition did not succeed very well, but Paris could put a permanent exhibition on a different basis and command elements of success that the Quaker City could not.

THE fall of the old church building on Wylie avenue which the traction company was tearing down to make room for a power the American stage by leaving it. If she house, gives a new lesson on the necessity could have managed it it would have been of active care against unsafe buildings. A very well tempered.

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better for her to have retired before she set | few years ago there was a proposition to use this building for Murphy's temperance Some of her chivalrous, but indiscreet, meetings, and the plan was checked only by friends say that Mrs. Langfry is about to the condemnation of the building. Yesterleave the stage because she is tired of being day's casualty shows how well founded the condemnation was, and what a terrible disaster might have taken place if big crowds

It is understood that Mapleson's Opera is tired of being gossiped about, we trust Company is to be backed during the next she is likewise tired of providing food for season, by one of the rich singers, living in the scandal-mongers. The public is very Paris. The result is expected to demontired of the whole Langtry business, from strate that this singer's notes are most pow ner inability to act to her squabbles with erful in the production of first-class opera.

> IT is not surprising that the race for the vacant Russian mission is a close one, between Colonel Elliott F. Shepard, of the New York Mail and Express, and General Felix Agaus, of the Baltimore American, General Agnus seems to have obtained a slight lead on the banqueting question; but Colonel Shepard's professionally religious character is a strong point which may tell at the finish. It would be a decided feather in the cap of the United States to send a Minister to Russia who could stop the Czar's Sunday reviews.

> "THE cool wave is neither emphatic nor pretentious," says the Philadelphia Press. In view of the recent meteorological events it would seem that the esteemed Press has the luck of most weather prophets in its

> forecasts. How Senator Quay stands at the White House and whether Ford or McKean is to get the Pittsburg postoffice are evidently questions upon which the Washington correspondents consider themselves privileged At last reports there were symptoms that Congressman Dalzell might have the call. This would probably be not wholly unaccounted for by the results of the primaries. and the community will calmly await official advices.

THAT Fifth Assembly district convention's refusal to vote in favor of a resolution against the use of city employes in election survey. If a man does not care a fig for work, appears to have been a case of in-

> THE declaration by some of our esteemed Democratic cotemporaries that "when Jarrett gets a Consulship, there is nothing good enough to offer Dudley," assumes the aspect of a clean bill of health for Dudley. As no definite allegation has ever been made, much less proved, against the honesty of Mr. Jarrett's political methods, such remarks look like a confession that all the Democratic charges against Dudley have been unfounded.

> THE weather may try to throw cold water on the Festival; but the spirit of the occasion is too ardent to be dampened by exter-

THE announcement that Steve Brodie jumped from the top of the Passaic Falls into the water fifty feet below, records a very common place feat. If Mr. Brodie wants to do something that will attract the attention of the world, let him jump from Passaic Falls. That would be something worthy of making a fuss about.

Snow in the Fayette county mountains popular struggle with the "pigs in clover," may be a natural result of what the poli-

"Ir does not help Benjamin Harrison's case to record in his behalf that Grover Cleveland appointed his wife's cousin. Benjamin Fulton to be Consul at Sheffield," remarks the New York Sun; but does it show that Presidents, like the rest of us, are subject to the ordinary weaknesses of humanity.

PERSONAL FACTS AND PANCIES. SIR MORELL MACKENZIE has greatly re-

gained his health at Madeira. THOMAS HARDY, the English novelist, is Justice of the Peace in Dorsetshire. MR. W. D. Howells will spend the summer near Boston and go to that city to live in the

THE Czar of Russia has appointed the Czarowitz a member of the Council of the Empire and of the Committee of the Ministers COUNT SAVORGNAN DE BRAZZA recently had his famous collection of old gold and silver plate melted into bullion by the burning of a wrecked railroad train. THE late Washington Irving Bishop might

have been a very wealthy man. He made a great deal of money, but did not possess the faculty of keeping it. He was a spendthrift. EX-SECRETARY BAYARD'S forthcoming mar riage is regarded as an admission upon the part of the distinguished Delawarian that it is domestic rather than foreign affairs that he is best qualified for directing.

SOLOMON HIRSCH, the newly appointed Minister to Turkey, is now at Carlsbad, Germany. That he will accept the post is not doubted, but it is not yet known whether he will return to the United States before assuming office.

THE excursion to Mount Vernon, which was to have been given by Secretary Biaine in honor of Sir Julian Pauncefote, the new British Minister, and which was postponed on ac count of the death of Minister Rice, will take place next Monday.

RUSSELL HARRISON is considering an offer of W. J. Arkell to take an active part in the editorial direction of Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper. The climate of Montana does not agree with Mrs. Harrison and she is anxious to move to New York COLONEL FRED D. MUSSEY, Washington

correspondent of the Commercial Gazette, leaves the capital to-day for Cincinnati to enter upon duties in connection with the editorial page of the Commercial-Gazette during the nce of Mr. Murat Halstead in Europe. ALPHONSE DAUDET is at work on a book study of his own physical ailments, which are registered with the most minute care. An actance asked him a few days ago when it would be published. Daudet looked at his questioner very seriously for a moment, and re-plied—"I am waiting till I feel worse, for there may be some fresh symptoms to chronicle."

The analytical school of literature is coming to

rather a queer pass. SIR EDWIN ARNOLD has received yet another decoration. This time it is a commander-ship of the Order of the Lion and the Sun, and the Shah of Persia is the giver. Sir Edwin, who is a charming, good natured old gentle-man, has a mania for collecting foreign decorations. He is not content with his C.S.I. and K.l.E., but claps an additional star on his poetic breast almost every year. He has been decorated by most of the Oriental potentatesthe Khedive, the King of Siam, the Shah'of

Persia and one or two others. THE New York Sun says: In conversation with an acquaintance yesterday Mr. Chauncey Depew referred to the time when he held the friends are unaware that he ever enjoyed the honor of an appointment to this high diplomatic post. But he himself has not forgotten it. He post. But he nimes has not torgotten it. He was appointed to it by Secretary Seward, under the administration of Andrew Johnson, in 1866.
Mr. Seward was desirous that he should accept this office at that time, and it was not until Mr. Depew had taken a whole month to think of it that he notified the State Department of his final determination to refuse it. He preferred life in New York to diplomacy in Tokio.

the Baltimore American. 1

From recent accounts of Bismarck's little fit of passion, the Man of Iron does not seem to be THE TOPICAL TALKER.

Colorado in Two Colors-The Old Stamp Cry - Editor Scott's Pinu - A Little

IT is all in the way a man looks at a thi Yesterday a Denver man-was telling me that the place to live in, the place in which to spend a vacation, was Colorado. "Lovely air," he said, "grand mountains, the most wonderful stock-raising land, and the finest stock you

Hardly had he left me than a Pennsylvanian who had plenty of experience in Colorado came up and asked me where I intended spending my vacation this summer. I asked him what he thought of Colorado. He replied: "Don't be such a fool as to go to Colorado for pleasure. The air they crack up so much isn't a circumstance to what you can get at Cresson You've got better mountains right at your door, and as for stock farms and stock I tell ter county than I've ever discovered in Colo

Now I am waiting for someone to come along to throw the casting vote on Colorado's

GET OUT THE PAINT, MR. WANAMAKER, O Wansmaker, hear our cry; The weather's drear and damp, And dismal is the billous dye Upon the two-cent stamp: Too long has that sad sickly green Made countless millions weep, I ween,

MR. SCOTT, the editor and proprietor of the Chicago Herald, was talking of how he had built that prosperous and clever journal in but eight years, to a friend of mine by the side of the sounding sea a few days ago, and he said that he believed he owed a large amount of the Herald's success to the amateur baseball scores which were made a special feature in its colscores of these juvenile contests were printed in the same way as the professional games, and allusion was always made when possible to the good playing of some particular member of the

Of course the Herald did not depend on this alone, but Mr. Scott thinks it had a most important influence on his journal's fortune.

> A LITTLE CHANGE Most happy is the man, and ne'er Upon the Sheriff's docket, Who always has a little change Within his trouser's pocket.

And so the Signal Service man A pauper can be never, For in the clements he finds A little change forever!

PERHAPS you noted before in great assem blages of people that the quietest and most modest people therein are usually the greatest.

This truism came to my mind as I observed the demeanor of the great audience at the opening night of the May Festival. There was one man whose size and tremendous pomposity excited considerable attention among hi neighbors, and induced me to inquire who he was. It doesn't matter what I disc yond the fact that the person who wore the air and attributed clothes of "a dook" or a New York politician, was not worth talking about on any score but his size physically.

AT THE INDIAN SCHOOL

A Distinguished Party Present at the Annual Graduating Exercises.

Special Telegram to The Dispatch. CARLISLE, May 22.- The tenth anniversa and graduating exercises of the Indian Industrial School took place to-day. A varied and attractive programme had been prepared. The morning exercises were highly interesting.
They comprised inspections of the class rooms and workshops, followed by gymnasium and parade drill. A special train from Washington arrived here with a party consisting of the Hon. John W. Noble, Secretary of the Interior, and wife; Hon. Joseph K. McCommon, late As-seistant Attorney-General for the Interior De-partment, and wife; A. K. Smithley, of the Board of Indian Commissioners, with his wife; General Elisha Whittlesev, Secretary of the Board; tice S. F. Miller of the Supreme Court; and Measra. Stevins, Gohr and Phillips, of the Interior Department. The other prominent guests included Senator A. H. Colquitt, of Georgia, and Rev. Dr. J. A. McConley, of Bal-Georgia, and Rev. Dr. J. A. McConley, of Baltimore, late President of Dickinson College; Governor Beaver and Colonel Fuller.

The programme was an interesting one. The presentation of diplomas took piace this evening, and were made by Hon. John Noble, Secretary of the Interior. There are now 607 pupils connected with the school, over 500 of whom were present to-day. Captain Pratt is one of the pioneers of this new idea, which is that the Indian children must be brought away.

They Nominate a State Ticket and Adopt

Some Resolutions.

LOUISVILLE May 22 -The Republican State

Convention to nominate a candidate for Treas-

urer, to be elected next August, convened here to-day. Hon. W. O. Bradley was made Chair-

man, John Z. Barrett, of Louisville, was nomi-

nated for Treasurer almost without opposition.

NOTES OF THE STAGE.

"MY PARTNER," an old favorite, at Harris

THE famous Blind Tom will make his last ap-

pearance in Pittsburg at the Bijou Theater to

day and to-morrow. Matinee and evening per-formances will be given both days. The prices

THE Gray and Stephens Company, with their

o-morrow, the dramatic play, "Without

WILLARD SPENSER'S beautiful comic opera,

present season has been one of the most suc-

bright and tuneful airs are something of which

theater-goers never tire; they are perennially fresh and pleasing. This will doubtless be the

ast opera produced here this season. The sale

DEATHS OF A DAY.

Joslah W. Fletcher.

CHAMBERSBURG, PA., May 22.-Josiah W.

Robert Cornell.

WARHINGTON, May 22 .- Robert Cornell, for nin

John H. Emerson

DENTON, MD., May 22. - John H. Emerson, prob

months with consumption. He was born on November II, 1830. He was owner of the American Entire, but had not edited it for several years on account of failing health.

John Frederick Distler, J.

John Frederick Dittler, 3r., an old and well known resident of the Sixth ward, died at his home, No. 322 Fifth avenue, Tuesday evening, from the effects of a paralytic stroke. His death is said to have been hastened by worrying over his disappointment at not being granted a license.

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of seats begins to-day.

ance and for the remainder of the week.

From the Detroit Free Press.]

patriotism bubbles up.

ext week.

that the Indian children must be brought away from the influence of tribal surroundings and placed and educated in the midst of civiliza-KENTUCKY REPUBLICANS.

recommending that companies marching to and from camp be allowed commutation in cash equal to the expense of railroad transportation and one or two days' additional pay. The mingling of regular and national guard troops is de-clared to be advantageous to the latter and the suggestion is made that the three cavalry troops and batteries join the regular cavalry companies and batteries that propose to camp

lonel W. W. Dudley and Zovey & Finley, of ashington, and Judge W. S. Shirk, of dalia, Mo., appeared as counsel for the

troupe of well-trained dogs, are filling Harris' Theater twice daily. The bill will be changed WASHINGTON, May 22.-Commissioners Morrison and Bragg, of the Inter-State Commerce Commission, left Washington to-night for To-Home," being given at the matinee performledo, O., where they will be joined by Chairman Cooley, of the commission. They will hear a case in Toledo the latter part of the week, and "The Little Tycoon," will be presented at the Grand Opera House next week. Although after concluding their work at that place will proceed further west, stopping at Chicago, Jef-ierson City, Mo., and other points, complaints from which have been lodged with the commisthis opera has been before the public for nearly five years it has lost none of its popularity. The commissioner Schoonmaker was unable to go, on account of an affection of the eyes. essful since the opera was first produced. Its

Some English Bulls. A correspondent of the London Spectator reprints the following literary "bulls," culled from English newspapers:
"To investigate the question would lead us

mates were all out."
"At first sight, the electioneering addresses ound thoroughly protectionist."

Fletcher died here to-day, aged 73 years. He was Sergeant at Arms of the House of Representatives at Harrisburg in 1838. He was a lieutenant of the One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteers, was taken prisoner at Chancellorville and spent a long time in Libby Prison. Four Bills Signed By the Governor! nectal Telegram to The Dispatch. years steward of the United States steamer Dis-patch, died in this city last night. He was well of fish. One applies to the entire State, two refer to the Delaware river and one to Lake Erie. The State Fishery Commissioners drafted the bills, but toward the close of the session they were materially amended. known to many prominent persons, including Presidents and Cabinet officers, who have dined on the Dispatch when it was largely used for of-ficial trips and excursions.

Snow Fell at Harrisburg.

The Change in the Republican Rules the

Condition of the National Guard-Some Important Recommendations-New Dress Special Telegram to The Dispatch. HARRISBURG, May 22-Adjutant General Hastings, in his annual report, puts the numerical strength of the National Guard at 8,375. Last year 101 commissions were issued, 190 com missions expired and 40 officers were recommis sioned. The expenditures were \$307,50663, of which \$127,773 25 were used to pay the militia. \$30,457 82 to pay armory rent, \$69,271 62 to meet annual allowance to companies, \$21,000 for armory rent, and \$12.819 \$2 for rifle practice. The total cost of the three brigades was \$171,845 42, of which \$54,289 69 were expended on the third

brigade.

The average cost per man at camp was: First Brigade, \$20 21; Second, \$22 66; Third, \$21 21. The cost of the Mt. Gretna Division encampment was \$174,049 33, and the average cost per man \$22 11, while the average at the brigade encampments last year was \$21 10. The report shows that while the cost of rifls practice in 1886 was \$2,548, last year it reached \$12,819 32. The number of qualified marksmen was increased from 368 to 1,329. The number of sharp-shooters is 482. One hundred and forty-seven marksmen and 140 sharpshooters have records of from 5 to 11 years. Following are extracts taken from the Adjutant General's report:

The Mt. Gretna Range. .There is probably no more convenient or com plete target range in the country than that at Mt. Gretna. The experience of the present year has convinced me that rifle practice should not be carried on during the summer encamp-ments. No duty should be required in camp that can be as well accomplished at the armory.

The company range is the best place to qualify marksmen. The spring inspections show in creasing efficiency on the part of the company organizations. The spring inspection gives the true condition of the company. Experience has shown the futility of wasting

time or money on a poor company or an inefficient captain. With the growing public interest and pride manifested in the organizaterest and prine manifested in the organiza-tion, and with volunteer organizations in every quarter of the State knocking at the door for admission, there is no longer room for any other than first-class company organizations. There are over 100 applications on file for per-mission to raise companies of infantry, and they are constantly coming in. Occasional re-quests are received for authority to raise a battry of cavalry company.

It is evident from these applications that the strength of the guard could easily be doubled in a short time. It is, therefore, undoubtedly for the best interests of the service to muster out all laggard and inefficient organizations and

replace them with those who are anxious An Appeal to the Public.

The Second and Eighteenth Regiments and everal others are sorely in need of suitable quarters. There is nothing left but to appeal to public generosity. When the appeal has been fairly and earnestly made the public has always responded. The proofs of this fact are seen in the splendid armories of the First and Third Regiments, in Philadelphia, the Ninth in Wilkesbarre, and the Thirteenth, in Scranton The company armories through the State generally are not what they should be, although there are several notable exceptions. No company has ever measured up to the standard contemplated by the law that did not have good armory.

The work of the examining boards is compli-The work of the examining boards is complimented because they have resulted in putting into the National Guard a class of excellent men and keeping out those who would have reflected discredit on it. The allowance of pay to the boards is recommended. The knapsacks, haversacks and canteens in use are condemned because of their long service and consequent bad condition, and an appropriation in addition to the \$300,000 annual allowance to the guard is appropriated to proque have accontraments. to the \$300,000 annual allowance to the guard is suggested to procure new accourtements. The troops are encouraged to hope for the delivery of a 45 caliber breach-loading Springfield rifled musket to every soldier before the close of the present year. The gathing guins are said to be in good condition, but the remaining armament of the batteries is said to be of little

A New Gon Needed. The substitution of the three-inch rifle re cently adopted by the United States Government is suggested. On the subject of dress uniforms the Adjutant General says the apn contact with the troops of other States clad in fine dress uniforms has intensified the desire for a new and better outfit than now worn. The service uniform answers the demands of camp and armory duty, but on occasions of parade and display something better than his working clothes is coveted by the Guardsman. The idea of allowing each regimental organization to adopt its own dress uniform, subject to the ap-proval of superior headquarters, has merit

proval of superior headquarters, init.

Of the brigade encampments the Adjutant General says there was marked improvement as compared with that of the previous encampment. Marches to and from camp are commended. The entertainment of visitors at encampments is discouraged, as being prejudicial to the service. Encampments are neither picules nor summer reports. Regimental encampments are recommended this year.

The Adjutant General closes his report by recommending that companies marching to and

DIDN'T MEAN TO DO WRONG.

Hon. A. M. Swope, of Lexington, was first offered the nomination, but declined for satisfactory reasons. Mr. Barrett is a prominent young lawyer.
The resolutions indorse the policy of the Quite a Number of Mail Route Contractors The resolutions indorse the policy of the General Government, especially referring to the granting of pensions, and indorsing the sentiment, "No Union soldier should ever go to the almshouse." They also indorsed the Blair educational bill. The sentiment of the convention favored the close drawing of party lines in the coming contest for the Legislature. Make a Serious Mistake. WASHINGTON, May 22.-Assistant Attorney General Tyner, sitting with Second Assistant Postmaster General Whitfield and Law Clerk Haynes, of the Postoffice Department, to-day began a hearing in the mail contract cases of W. H. Smith, C. W. Underwood, J. R. Pigg and L. F. Chappel, of Windsor. The respondents are successful bidders for about 580 mail route contracts, the execution of which on the part contracts, the execution of which on the part of the Department, was recently suspended by Second Assistant Postmaster General Whitfield upon what he regarded as evidence of irregularities in the execution of the contracts and the accompanying indemnity bonds on the part of the respondents. They expressed a perfect willingness to execute new contracts and new bonds in any required amount, and stoutly maintained their perfect innocence of any attempted wrong. Dubuque has voted \$15 of the city money to nave a grand blow-out on the glorious Fourth. The further West you get the more a man's tempted wrong.
The case was continued until to-morrow. LEAVITT'S Lily Clay Company is playing to

TAKING A TRIP WEST.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission on Its Way to Toledo.

too deeply into the dry and troubled waters of moral philosophy."
"Several chimneys fell, burying the inmates "A row of cottages fell, but fortunately the

HARRISBURG, May 22.-The Governor today signed four bills regulating the catching

A Cure for the Rapid Youth. From the New York Herald. If you know of a boy who is in danger of becoming "fast" get him a place in the district messenger service. That is an infallible cure

HARRISBURG, May 22.—There was a severe hall storm in this section to-day. Snow also fell. The surrounding mountains are covered with snow.

THE COUNTY CONTEST.

Grent Question-Democratic Prospects-Roward Considered Not Too Easy to Beat-Little Opposition to Judge Collier. The clouds have largely cleared out of the Republican sky in Allegheny county. The leaders, however, have a problem before them not very easy of solution in the changes to be made to the rules governing the party. Everybody feels that the County Committee is virtually pledged to a change, but averybody is not agreed as to what the change, but averybody is not agreed as to what the change should be. The Crawford county system is much talked of and may be decided on by the committee when it takes up the subject. Mr. Magoe is understood to favor the present rules as far as they go, but is quoted as believing that they do not go far enough. For instance, an election precinct has weight in the legislative district convention only in proportion to the number of its Repub-lican votes. But each legislative district sends delegates to the county convention regardless of the number of Republican votes it may give of the number of Republican votes it may give.

The one Democratic Legislative district has as much weight in the convention as a Republican district. This is deemed inequitable. The same trouble, however, is met in each Republican National Convention with regard to the representation from the Democratic States. A county committee man from each election precinct instead of the 80 now chosen is favored by the present county chairman. George von precinct instead of the county chairman, George von by the present county chairman, George von Bonnhorst. In his opinion much better and county of a county of a county of a county more thorough work can be got out of a com-mittee of this kind than out of a smaller one. In evidence of the excellent work of a large committee Mr. Von Bonnhorst points with pride to the vote of Allegheny county last fall. On this point the Quay leaders seem to think

There Will Be No Split. If assurances of the leading Quay men hold good with the rank and file of their wing of the Republican party, the Quay people will support the local ticket this fail as heartly as will the Magee men. Opinions were expressed on Tuesday afternoon that they would not be inclined to do so, but hints to this effect were quickly met with the warning that the gentleman who will be on the State ticket is distinc-

man who will be on the State ticket is distinctively a Quay man, and it will not aid him any to have the Quay people in Allegheny county cutting the local ticket.

In addition to feeling good over having, as they claimed, forced the Magee people to coucede a change of the rules, the Quay people are congratulating themselves that they also elected nine delegates to the State Convention against seven elected by the opposition. The latter, however, paid no attention to the factional complexion of the delegation to the State Convention outside Pittaburg and profess indifference. ndifference.

Democratic Lookers-On. The Democrats have been watching the fight n the Republican camp with a considerable degree of interest. Some of them are rendered sanguine thereby, but the feeling is not unanimous. Patrick Foley, while professing to be more interested in the laying of gas lines than in politics, paused long enough to say that the Republican majority in Allegheny county last fall was larger than the Democratic vote. This was in his eyes no small obstacle for the Demoorats to overcome, even if there are differences of opinion in the Republican ranks. He talked some on the District Attorneyship fight, and, while seeing a considerable Republican opposition to the Republican nominee, apparposition to the Republican nominee, apparently considered that geutleman's ability as a political hustler no small factor in the contest. "And he will make this the fight of his life," said Mr. Foley. "Rowand," he continued, "can conduct a stronger personal campaign than any man I know of," Mr. Foley, on the other hand, had heard enough to know that there would be strong opposition to Mr. Rowand from the Allegheny county bar.

For District Attorney.

The Democratic primaries do not occur until the latter part of August, but ex-Chairman Brennan thinks unless something unforeseen happens "Dick" Johnson, as his familiar friends call him, will be the Democratic party's nominee for the District Attorneyship. Mr. Brennan brushes aside any ambitions he may have himself for the honor, holding that Mr. Johnson is the strongest man that can be named for the place by his party. Mr. Brennan sees many reasons for Democratic hope concerning this office.

Little Opposition to Judge Collier. There will be little or no opposition to Judge Collier, according to both Mr. Brennan and Mr. Foley. Indeed, had not the Republicans named a candidate in opposition to Judge Bailey it is quite likely the Democrats at this time would not think of placing anyone in the field in opposition to Judge Collier. As it is, however, there is a strong feeling in favor of naming a candidate. Judge Collier is spoken of in the highest terms as a man and as a Judge. No individual is yet mantioned by the Dame. No individual is yet mentioned by the crats for the nomination and there has been little talk of a candidate for Coroner, though

Hopes for a Democratic Treasurer. Mr. Brennan is strongly hopeful of Demoratio success this fall. "Quay," he says, "has publicly declared himself in favor of prohibi-

out among the Republican workers to knife the amendment. This thing of carrying water on one shoulder and whisky on the other is not likely to add strength to the Republican ticket. I am not in favor myself of submitting moral questions like this to the people to be voted on, questions like this to the people to be voted on, and I am strictly temperate myself, not having touched liquor for years. The refusal to consider Mr. Wherry's resolutions to reform the sinking fund should be a considerable aid to us and will be, but it would be even more of a help if people gave, proper attention to these financial matters. The date of the State convention has been left to the Executive Committee chosen at Harrisburg." mittee chosen at Harrisburg.

ODD FELLOWS IN SESSION.

The Grand Lodge Elects a Warden and Transacts Other Business, Special Telegram to The Dispatch. YORK, May 22.-The Grand Lodge of Inde-

pendent Order of Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania finished its second day's work in this city to-day. The report of the Finance Committee was adopted. The important business of the morning was counting the votes for the election of the Grand Warden. The result was as follows: Edgar Marsh, 3,096 votes; John A. Wunch, 3,061 votes; Marsh's majority, 35. Grand Warden-elect Marsh is a citizen of Corry, a lawyer by profession, and has been Mayor and Solicitor for his city. The Grand Lodge accepted the invitation of the Phila-Lodge accepted the invitation of the Philadelphia Anniversary Association to attend
their celebration on June 15.

The question of admitting to membership in
lodges at the age of 18 years instead of 21 years,
as at present, will be decided by the Grand
Lodge. It is believed that the action of the
Grand Encampment of Monday will lead to its
defeat by a heavy majority. A motion to appoint an additional assistant secretary for the
order was voted down. Appeals from different
parts of the State were then taken up for consideration and properly disposed of. W. H.
Cogswell, heading a degree delegation of 20
members from Philadelphia, exemplified the
unwritten work of the order this evening.

THE ENGLISH PATTERN AT FAULT.

the Cruiser Charleston.

WASHINGTON, May 22.-News coming from San Francisco is to the effect that while there is reason to believe that the new cruiser Charleston will ultimately succeed in fulfilling the contract requirements, much remains to be done upon the vessel, and probably at the Gov-ernment's expense, before this expectation is realized. The present air pump falled to give a sufficient vacuum, and must be replaced by a pump of another type. The defective sliders, which were spoken of in the report upon the trial trip as the cause of failure, must be altered in design and other changes made. As the same troubles were experienced in the case of the Naniwakan, the Charleston's prototype, the inference is that they arise from faults in the drawings furnished by the English designers rather than in the workmanship, which is said to be of excellent character.

The Advent of the Circus Season From the New York Tribune. This is the time of the year when the follow ing paragraph may be frequently seen in the weeklies of the Southwest: "Several first-class death notices are crowded out this week to dent that the relatives of the deceased will un-derstand and appreciate the necessities of the

From the Philadelphia Inquirer.]
The Czar is to go 20 miles out of his way burg, and give him a private reception. A plan to give him a magnificent public reception has been changed for fear of a Mihilist plot; but the Mihilists may carry out their part of the programme just the same.

They May Carry Out Their Part.

GOTHAM'S GRIST OF GOSSIP.

Building a Costly Church. (NEW YORK BUREAU SPECIALS.)

NEW YORE, May 22.—The Brooklyn Methdiste laid to-day on Ocean Hill the cornertone of a church which will cost \$200,000.

Three Times Indicted for Libel. General J. Madison Drake, commander of the Veteran Zouaves, was arraigned in the Union County Court at Elizabeth, N. J., this morning, for criminal libel. He pleaded not guilty to three indictments. Two of the libels are the outgrowth of the Elizabeth Centennial, Drake had trouble with the committer, and in his at-tack on them in his paper, the Sunday Leader, he published caricatures of the Hon Amor Clarke and Grand Marshal Halsey. W. B. Doland, a merchant in Elizabeth, secured the third indictment against General Drake.

He Spent Her Money on Other Girls. Mary Klein, a shop girl 23 years old, told in court to-day how her lover, August Petrie, had windled her out of \$800 and had then deserted her. Petrie took her savings at the end of each month for two years for the ostensible purpose of depositing them in the bank. She eventually learned that Petrie had spent her \$800 upon other girls. She tried to arrest him, but heran away to Chicago. He was brought back by a detective, and was placed on trial this morning. To-morrow Miss Klein will bring into ourt some of the girls whose dres theater tickets Petrie paid for with her money.

Captain Harrison Objects to Alimony. Mrs. Frank Harrison wishes an absolute dirores and \$50 a week alimony from her wealthy usband, Captain Harrison, of Brooklyn. tain Harrison is anxious enough for the divorce, but he objects to the alimony. His counsel, in showing why Mrs. Harrison should not get her \$60 a week, to-day read in court several letters which her husband had found in her secretary. All of them had been written by her to John B. Hatch, formerly Captain Harrison's best friend. The letters were signed "Your Own Little Wife" or "Your, Own Little Girlie." In every one of them Mrs. Harrison told "Jack" how much she loved him and what a "disagreeable old thing" her husband was She also hinted that she was preparing to get a divorce so that she could marry him. is a married man and is prominent in yacnting club man of education and high social stand-

One More Theatrical Divorce Mrs. Florence Gale has served a summons in a suit for absolute divorce from her husband, Walter Gale, the actor. Gale plays the part of Happy Jack, the tramp, in Denman Thompson's drama, "The Old Homstead."

A Hospital Under Fire. Dr. Mary A. Dixon Jones and her son, Dr. Charles N. Dixon Jones, the managers of the Women's Hospital, in Brooklyn, are defendants in a suit instituted by Mrs. Josephine Stein-feldt for \$50,000 damages. She alleges that she consulted Mrs. Jones about some ailment, and was told by the latter that she was suffering from cancer and that an operation was necessary to save her life. She went to the hospital in February, and after a black cap, saturated with ether, had been placed on her head the operation was performed. She now avers that she was not suffering from cancer, and that the operation was entirely unnecessary. Her ealth also, she says, has been permanently injured through the malpractice of Mrs. Jones and her son. Other cases of alleged mismanagement on the part of Mrs. Jones and her son have lately been called to the attention of the prosecuting authorities, and they are being investigated by the grand jury.

TICKET BROKERS TOGETHER.

They Assert That They Have Been Subject to Uniont Persecution.

NEW YORK, May 22 -The Ticket Brokers Association met in this city to-day. President McCrary called the convention to order at 1 o'clock this afternoon and read his annual address. He called attention to the fact that the past few months endeavoring to have the busi-ness of the members of the association branded as illegitimate. These magnates, he said, had by every means in their power tried to have laws passed by the different Legislatures declaring the business illegal, but they signally falled. He hoped that the members of the as sociation would stick together and assert their rights as American citizens. The small railroads, he said, principally depended on the ticket brokers for sustenance, and that was the reason why the large railroads wished to destroy the business of the brokers.

The report of the Executive Committee dealt mainly with what was termed the persecution to which members of the association were subjected to during the past year. The following are extracts from the report: "It is almost impossible to realize the, enormous amount of persecution the association has successfully withstood. Persecuted openly and in secret, in the names of great and powerful monopolies in the halls of Legislatures, through the Inter-State Commission, in print and in speech, in anonymous screeds, in word and in action, our occupation has been maligned, scandalized and misrepresented—charged with conspiracy, with crime, with fraud and with all that is evil. But the public has been our ally, and truth and honest dealing our only weapons, roads, he said, principally depended on the

and truth and honest dealing our only weapons, and we stand to-day victors upon hard fought A Manhattan Reception Last night about 60 couples, comprising the members of the Manhattan Club, of the Southside, went out to the Windsor Hotel, on the Brownsville road, in carriages, where the club's annual reception and banquet was held.

A Reception Last Night. Mr. and Mrs. Harry R. Rea, of Penn and Lang avenues, gave a reception at their home

Murried a Brooklyn Belle

Mr. M. DeWitt Loomis was married last night in Brooklyn, N. Y., at the home of his

bride's parents, to Miss Annie Williams, daughter of Mrs. William H. Wallace, of Brooklyn. It Won't be Forgotten. from the New York World. The experience of the doctors in the case of Mind Reader Bishop will not be lost upon the

ommunity. It will be some months before another numan body will be cut up here to make a scientific holiday before proper inquiry is made as to the relatives of the deceased. (SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) CHARLESTON, W. VA., May 22.—The Legisla

tive Investigating Committee progressed as far as Pocahontas county to-day, when a knotty point was reached consuming about three hours in its solution. The changes made so far in the Gubernatorial vote are insignificant. PENNSYLVANIA PRODUCTS.

ANDREW METZ, of Butler county, has a pe quirrel that is good for two rats per day. THE whistle of the partridge is heard now from early morn till sunset on the outskirts of

Two large apple trees now in full bloom are growing from the roof of a building on the farm of George Newhart, Lehigh county. MR. H. S. BIGHAM, a chicken raiser of Antrim, near Chambersburg, finds that eggs will hatch much sooner if a small hole is punched in the shell.

MRS. WILLIAM TRISSLER, of Christian

ricinity, awoke in the morning with such a

nearty yawn that her jaw shot out of joint, and a surgeon had to replace it. A Young lady living in Chester Valley was promised that if she would take charge of a public school three young men, each 20 years of age, would enter her class. Some boys of Clarksville, Greene county,

who were gigging for fish several nights ago,

saw something swimming toward them. They caught it, and, on taking it to town, an expert W. R. KNOX, of Juniata county, states that while on his way the other night to Mifflin to take the Philadelphia express, he was attacked by a full-grown panther, which he rolled into a ditch with one well-aimed shot.

A COUNTRYNAN in want of a shear a Shamokin barber shop, and was told to take a chair. Presently the busy barber heard a souffling behind him, and found that the new-comer had taken his words literally and was dragging a massive chair to the window, where the light could strike it. CURIOUS CONDENSATIONS.

-The crying need of this country is a back gate that nobody can hang a joke on. -A steel mat for the office of the Hotel Richelieu, Chicago, is 41 feet long and 4 feet wide, the largest ever made in the world in one

-A colored boy in Jeffersonville, Ind., swallowed a lead pencil. The pencil and the boywere saved, but it took four doctors several hours to do it.

-A Portland, Me., business man lost a \$20 gold coin on his way to work a few days ago, and, returning at night, found the same piece on the payement, where it had remained unpoliced all days -A soldier belonging to a detachment of

the Austrian army in Transylvania was recently killed by a bullet from a Manlicher rifle dis-charged during target practice at a distance of more than 2½ miles. -A shaving match took place in the first

week of this month between two prominents
English barbers for £25 a side. The winner
shaved his 12 men in 3 minutes 40 seconds, and
then shaved two blindfolded in 2 minutes 10
seconds. -John Franklin, of Athens, Ga., was very much surprised when he went to his home the other night to find that during the day a

swarm of bees had taken possession of his house. They entered through a knot-hole in the weather boarding. -The Poughkeepsie (N. Y.) Horse Railroad Company has just disposed of a horse that has traveled 54,000 miles on the road in that

city, having been in the service of the company 10 years. During all that time it has been sick but four days. The animal was still in -Mr. Armory Brown, of Taylor county Ga., has a hen egg that seems to be magnetized It will not lie on the side or on the large end but when it is put down it immediately turns up on the small end. It makes no difference in what position it is placed, it will turn until it stands on the small end.

-A veritable thunderbolt is said to have been seen by a farmer's wife in Cumberland. says an English paper. As she was going to the sowsheds "she saw a black mass descend-ing, and it burst with a loud report 50 yards from where she was standing." Fortunately the farmer's wife was not hurt, only terribly

-A recent device for the preservation of paper-covered books is a case of seal or other soft leather, made to fit tightly over the book, and removable when the book has been read. It is flexible, and does not interfere with the book being slipped into the pocket or carried doubled up in the hand or in a satchel, but it saves the paper covers from being soiled or torn and keeps the leaves from getting dogs-

-The prize recently offered by a Little Rock, Ark., paper "for the largest family" in the State has just been awarded to W. D. Green and wife, of Murfreesborough. Pike county. They were married in 1836, and have had 25 children, 18 of whom are living. More than 50 families applied for the prize. Green, who is a blacksmith, has lived in the one town for 40 years, and his statement is attented under for 40 years, and his statement is attested unde the seal of the county clerk. -The fishermen who find sport and meat

in the Withlacoochie, in Florida, are regretting the fact that the sucker fish in that stream are the fact that the sucker fish in that stream are dying in great numbers. They appear to be affected by some disease which gives them the appearance of having smallpox or a similar disease, as they are covered by hundreds of bumps and pimples. No one seems to know the cause of this strange disease among them, and some people are found who believe that it is the result of the explosion of dynamite in the water. This is hardly the cause, for the effect of that substance is instantaneous; others advance the belief that it is natural for fish of that species to die after spawing. -An odd case was tried at the justice's

court at Jasper, Ga., the other day, between Uncle Stephen Kirby and the Marietta and North Georgia Railway Company for damages to a hog by reason of the loss of one of the hog's feet in a collision with the train. After a strong legal fight for three hours, the defendabt's counsel contending that the rule of as-sessing damages was the loss in weight of the hog by reason of being run over, which was one foot weighing half a pound, at 10 cents per pound, 5 cents; the plaintiff's counsel insisting that the rule for assessing damages was the value of the hog when hurt with the cost of nursing and medical treatment in curing the hog, together with such damages as the en-lightened minds of the jury thought proper for the mental pair and augush of the hog. "In-jury gave the plaintiff \$5. -Some extraordinary scenes at Holyl-

head over the burial of a woman named Hughes were terminated by the nephew stealing a march on the stepson and burying the old lady a day earlier than was fixed. A dispute arising over the will, both parties claimed possession, and each sought to effect the burial. The and each sought to effect the burial. The townspeople took sides, and the street outside was crowded with a shouting mob. Two coffins were ordered, and two graves were dug. The nephew took possession of the premises, and held it against all comers. The first coffin arrived three hours in advance of the other, and into this the remains were put. The second coffin was received by the crowd with ironical cheers. The funeral by order of the nephew was kept a profound secret, but immediately it had gone away the stepeon's friends burst in the front door, and when the funeral party returned there was a row. Both nephew and step son are now in possession, and refuse to budge

-There have long existed in Germany and elsewhere societies for collecting eigar-ends—the tips cut off to permit of suction on lighting, and the parts left when the smoker dare not proceed further out of mercy to his mustache. It is customary to have boxes for mustache. It is customary to have boxes for preserving these remnants on the tables of hotel smoke-rooms, as well as in private houses. They are collected at given times and sold to the manufacturers, who make sauff of them. or cut them up after a kindly steeping for smoking mixtures. Their price goes to orphan institutions or other charities. Now the news comes that an organization of the kind, and that on a grand scale, has just been started in Sweden. The Queen is Precident, and young ladies and gentlemen throughout the country are members. Fathers and brothers and sweethearts are to be prayed not to throw away hearts are to be prayed not to throw away cigar-ends. These are to be gathered from the streets. The money to be got for the product will nourish and educate 500 children. Here is a chance for some philanthropic person to start such a society in this country.

WHAT WILD WITS ARE SAYING.

Patient (at Christian Scientist's office)-Is the healer in? Attendant-Yes, sir, but she is sick to-day, and can't do any business, -Boston The nuisance of the hotel was in the parlor

warbling "Oh, Would I Were a Hird." "Well, here's a beginning for you," said the landlord, And he handed him his bill.—Fort Plats Free

Press. Lawver-My conscience troubled me a little last night about that fee I charged Jones yesterday. Friend (astonished)—Your conscience? Lawyer—Certainly. I was affaid that I had been unjust to myself.—Washington Critic. Dumley-What's the matter Brown? You

look bad. Brown-Yes; all bunged up with rheu-matism again. Dumley-Have you ever tried Dr. Wragley? Brown-No. Is he familiar with rhenmatism? Dumley-He ought to be by this time; he has had it himself for over 40 years,- Hurper's

First Tramp-Goin' in that house over there, pard? Second tramp—I tried that house last week. I sin't goin' there any more. First tramp—'Fraid on account o' the dogs? Second tramp—Me pants are. First tramp—Pants are what? Second tramp—Frayed on account o' the dog.—Detroit Free Press.

Daughter-Mamma, Mr. Strongbox has ffered me his heart and hand. Mamma—Do you love him, dear? Daughter-Oh, yes, mamma; very much. He is worth a million.

Mamma-Of course you do, dear. How silly of me to ask such a question. - Washington Critic

His Grand Destiny .- You have spent His Grand Destiny.—You have spens cight years in college, three at a theological school, and two in the study of theosophy, and yet you do not intend to enter the ministry. May I sak what special career you are fitting yourself for?

"I am studying for marriage with a Boston girl," replied the scholastic cothusiast, his voice tremulous and his dark, melancholy eyes lighting up with an eager, aspiring gleam.—Chicago Trisbune.

Our Idiomatic English.-Miss Langham

Our Idiomatic English.—Miss Langham (reading an American paper)—What a strange country yours is, to be sure, Mr. De Yank!

Mr. De Yank (of Boston)—I don't think it much stranger than yours. But why?

"Well, this paper gives an account of a game of baseball (I think they call it), and it says that "Chumpy saw a red hot ball coming for him in center field, but he promptly froze to it." —

Lowrence (Mass.) American.—The stranger in Natural Uneasiness.—The stranger in

New York City was talking earnestly and ex-citedly to the hotel clork.
"I am a remarkably heavy sleeper," he said, "and often lie in bed hours and hours after every-"and often he in bed hears are nous are received body else is up. Promise me," he satireated, as his face grew pale with fear, "that if I should happen to sleep till noon to-morrow you will not let any of your city physicians undertake to perform an autopsy on me!"—Chicago Tribune.